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Dear Mr. Boston and Ms. Delozier:

Re: Completion of Items 1A, 3, 4, and 5 within Administrative Order Numbers
00NWPKW-1250 and 00NWPKW-1251

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) issued Administrative Order #s 00NWPKW-1250 and 00NWPKW-1251 (Administrative Order) to the United States Department of Energy (USDOE) and CH2M Hill Group, Inc. (CHG) on June 13, 2000. The Administrative Order required an integrity assessment of the Double-shell Tank System (DST System).

Item 1A within the Administrative Order required identification of all components comprising the DST System. Item 5 required identification of all components of the DST System that will not remain in use beyond June 30, 2005. Ecology has received these descriptions and considers items 1A and item 5 of the Administrative Order completed.

Items 3 and 4 of the Administrative Order required a program be established to visually inspect the interior of the primary tank of DSTs and exposed portions of DST pipelines, respectively. These programs would take advantage of other work within the DST System to perform these visual examinations. Ecology received USDOE's revised program proposal for these plans by letter dated February 15, 2001, (01-OPD-015). Ecology herein accepts the visual examination plans submitted in USDOE's February 15, 2001, letter. By the terms and conditions of items 3 and 4 of the Administrative Order, USDOE and its contractors shall implement the visual examination plans within sixty (60) days of the date of this approval

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letter. Upon implementation of these visual examination plans, Ecology will consider items 3 and 4 completed.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this letter, please feel free to contact me at (509) 736-3031.

Sincerely,



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